

Whole Truth About Nkrumah Unfolding

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The ugly deeds of Africa's most famous deposed dictator, Kwame Nkrumah, are at last being fully exposed.

With all the evidence needed to prove it, the grim story of how this self-styled "redeemer" of all black Africa was all the time working to subvert all black Africa is now being brought into the open by Ghana's new government. Nkrumah was employing a secret network of Communist-trained agents and saboteurs.

As fast as the facts can be assembled, they are being published in official documents under the heading: "Nkrumah's Subversion in Africa."

The secret files uncovered by Ghana's National Liberation Council show what many Africans and others knew but couldn't adequately prove — that, while Nkrumah was saying that he wanted a federation of African states, he was actively working to bring down the governments of his fellow Africans with the aim of becoming the supreme ruler of the continent.

It is well that the truth is being brought out. It is healthy for the African leaders to know what they had been up against. It is well for those Westerners, who have so long pooh-poohed stories



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of this kind of plotting as fanciful, to realize that they are the ones who have been naive.

And all the time Nkrumah's agents were busy at their work. While he was preaching brotherhood, he was plotting the downfall of his brother Africans. And he kept at it until he took his famous trip to Peking to thank the Chinese Communists for all their help and, before he arrived, found he was no longer in office.

From the published files of the government in Accra, here is what Nkrumah was doing behind the facade of all

his talk about African unity and co-operation:

He spent unaccounted sums to operate two secret training camps hidden away in the bush 30 miles from the capital.

The ostensible purpose was to train "freedom fighters" to liberate African nations still under white rule. The real purpose was to stir up trouble against the leaders of African states which did not see Nkrumah as their savior.

Unknown to most Africans, hundreds of agents were being trained in guerrilla warfare, espionage, sabotage, and other forms of subversion.

The specialized experts' training manuals and equipment were provided by the Soviet Union and Red China which saw that the discordant enmity which Nkrumah was generating could be useful to them.

"The liberation of Ghana [from Nkrumah's rule] was a bitter blow to the Communists," the Accra government states. "Like animals running in front of a forest fire, they fled the country. Planes and ships took away 1,100 Russians, 430 Chinese, and scores of people" from the other Communist bloc countries.

All of which proves a truth now doubly evident: The Communists are no friends of African freedom.